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Title	: SURFACE TREATED STEEL SHEET	
	: AND METHOD FOR	
	: MANUFACTURING THE SAME	

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RESPONSE

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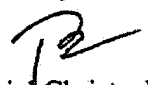
Sir:

This is submitted in response to the Official Action dated June 25, 2009.

The Applicants acknowledge the restriction of the Application into Group I, including Claims 23 – 38 and 44, and Group II, including Claims 39 – 43 and 45 – 47.

The Applicants hereby elect Group I, including Claims 23 – 38 and 44, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,


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